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SUMMER, 1883.

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Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [632]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 30TH, 1883.

The Colonial Treasurer's annual statement of revenue and expenditure, which appears in Saturday's *Gazette*, shows a gratifying increase in the revenue, and a balance to carry forward in spite of a considerable augmentation in the expenditure. The total revenue for 1882 was \$1,209,517.08, against \$1,120,796.77, in 1881, showing an increase over last year of \$88,202.31. The principal source from whence this increment was derived were the Police, Lighting, &c., rates to the amount of \$31,141.49; the opium monopoly, which yielded \$21,939.04 more than in 1881; and leased lands, which returned an excess of \$17,351.66 over the income of the previous year. There was also an increase of \$8,966.25 in the amount of interest on the surplus deposited in the Banks. The item showing the largest increase was stamps, under which heading there was a falling off, as compared with 1881, of \$18,360.32. This, of course, is readily explainable; the land speculation had ceased in 1882, and the income from this source naturally returned to its normal level. Considering all things, the stamp revenue was very large last year, aggregating no less than \$146,930.59, an amount which teases pretty strongly to the commercial activity of the Colony. The light dues display an increase of \$2,616.19, and the sum derived from rents of buildings was more than five thousand dollars larger than in 1881. The revenue exceeded the estimate by \$103,923.83, a very gratifying circumstance, proving the finances of the Colony to be in a thoroughly healthy condition.

On the other side of the account the increase in the expenditure more than kept pace with the increase in the revenue, though it still leaves a substantial balance. The net increase in expenditure was \$113,322.82, but of this amount more than \$70,000 went to the account of public works, roads, streets, and bridges, while \$9,602.03 went to that of gratuities and pensions. The establishment of a new department, that of the Government Marine Surveyor, entailed another addition to the expenditure of \$9,709.77, an outlay which is more than recouped by fees charged for surveys made. A purchase of land and houses figures for \$2,600, which is a further exceptional disbursement. Although most of the increase in expenditure occurred on public works or in the establishment of revenue earning services. An increase of \$3,174.22 in the vote for the Fire Brigade was a judicious outlay to which no possible exception can be taken. The public works now in hand will consume a very large portion of the surplus accumulated, but the revenue shows every sign of vitality, and there is no reason to fear any decline in the amount for the current year. The very substantial increase in the amount yielded by the house tax leads us to indulge in the hope that the Government may next year see their way to make a reduction in this tax, which is now levied at the rate of twelve per cent. For one brief year, in a moment of liberality, Sir John Porte Hawkesbury reduced this tax to ten per cent, but the following year he restored it to the old amount. We hope that Sir George Bowen's administration may be characterized by a permanent reduction of taxation. The tax may not be very heavy in itself, but the cost of living, joined with the high rents, presses rather heavily upon the residents, especially the Europeans and the Chinese money-lenders of the better class, whose expenses are large. The object of the Government is to make the revenue meet the expenditure, not to pile up surpluses for the benefit of another generation. While we have no right to bequeath a legacy of debt to our successors there is no reason why we should bear all their burdens in advance.

The German corvette *Sachsen*, Captain Von Buchholz, and *Elisabeth*, Captain Hollmann, left here on Saturday for Amoy and Singapore respectively.

Chinaman's circus has left Hainan for Cob, where it will remain a few days, and then proceed to Batangas, whence it will return to Manila.

The Agents (Messrs. Adams, Bell & Co.) inform us that the French steamer *Liber*, from Marselles and intermediate ports, was to leave Saliron for the port on Friday night or Saturday morning.

It is noticed in the *Gazette* that His Excellency the Governor has recognized Mr. Giro Hirata as in charge of the Japanese Consulate at this port during the absence on leave of Mr. Taro Ando.

By the arrival of the steamer *Douglas* from the Coast ports yesterday we learn that, as was to be expected, by the failure of the drum of Messrs. Dixons and Co. of Swatow, the contractors has abandoned.

The O. and O. steamer *Gordic*, and the British steamer *Albry* and the American barge *Pembroke* left the Canton River on Saturday last, respectively.

The O. and O. steamer *Brighton* has been engaged for the transport of the goods of the *Phoenix Park* murderer being unable to agree on their removal, were discharged without a verdict.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE DAILY PRESS.

[FOR EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.'S LINE.]

LONDON, 27th April.

THE ONE THOUSAND GUINEAS.

The following is the result of the running for the One Thousand Guineas:

Hunter 1
Malibran 2
Lively 3

THE PHOENIX PARK ASSASSINS.

The jury on the trial of the third Phoenix Park murderer being unable to agree on their removal, were discharged without a verdict.

THE BUFTS ASSAULT AT ARMS.

On Saturday afternoon an enjoyable couple of hours' entertainment was afforded by the Bufts, who had arranged an assault arms in the Garrison Gymnasium, and the spectators were delightedly spectators. The O. and O. steamer *Brighton* was to have been engaged for the transport of the goods of the *Phoenix Park* murderer, but he had abandoned.

The men, who after doing their daily work came forward to undergo a regular course of training. A large proportion of the men had attended their drills with but there were still some who had not done so for private reasons, or want of energy, had not been regular in their attendance. He had hoped to have seen the corps furnish two complete batteries by this time, but as yet they were about twenty-five men short of the required number; he trusted, however, to see the necessary strength attained nevertheless.

The battery was then put into order of march, and proceeded back to the Garrison Gymnasium, where it was heard again in the same way as before. Carrions were then served out together with three rounds of blank ammunition, and when the day's head-quarters was reached again, a large attendance, including a good many ladies, and refreshments were provided. The programme opened with an exhibition of fencing by Sergeant Instructor Mulhall and Colour-Sergeant Giles. This was followed by a sword and bayonet contest between Lieutenant D'Astath and Captain Davis, which was kept up with vigour for a considerable time. The men of the Bufts, who had been engaged in the assault arms, were located in a close circle, each watching the other's weapon and an exchange was effected; but each received his own later on. On the whole the sword seemed to have the best of it. The next item was a single stick contest, by Sergeant Instructor Mulhall and Private Lewis, in which hard blows were given on each side. The "noble art of swordsmanship" was then given.

The *Brighton* then gave the best of the Queen, and Her Majesty's health was drunk with that loyalty which would be expected from a royalist.

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EXTRACTS.

TO A WEED.

What wanion wind, disorderly, fantastic,
Hither impelled thy alien form, O Wood!

Why wast thou Nature's virtue plastic
On such a root?

Here, where the sunflowers rose and stately lily,
Through the bright hours their crowns effulgent,
And with rich perfume in the twilight stills
Dowm the dim air;

Where by the faint sun's tender beam is brightening,
Sweet eyes are turned to Love's beauteous star;
Fairies frolic while the summer lighting
Shimmers afar.

"Mid these choice bowers, in this immoinal garden
Beauty's loved, floral fancy a mask,
Not here, nor here may'st thou have place or parde,
Ungainly wood!

Here float soft melodies of bird and bee,

Rains come at call, and tempests blow hither

Such are for Flora's darlings, but for thee,

Wither, weed, wither!

DR. CARVER ON BRITISH ROYALTY.

The well-known shot, Dr. W. F. Carver, has communicated to the New York press a report of his experiences in Europe.—"My shooting caused such a sensation in England that within a few days I received a command to shoot before the Prince of Wales at Sandringham. There I shot before the Prince and Princess, and their family and a large number of guests, and they were so well pleased that I had to repeat the performance. The Prince passed, fond of shooting, and took the greatest interest in all I did, keeping the score himself. He even wagged Viscount Mandeville that I would break 100 glass balls in succession, and I well fit him.

Talk about the stiffness of royalty! I never was so taken back in my life. The young princes had to borrow rifles, ammunition, and my horses, and they went tearing all over the beautiful lawn banging away at everything. It was more like a circus than anything else. The Prince of Wales got a rifle and 100 rounds of ammunition, and when he had to go up to London once Prince George borrowed the rifle, and next time his father wanted to practice he had to send to London for more cartridges.

SINGULAR WEDDING.

In the suburb of Frankfort, Philadelphia, the winter residence of circus people and side-show curiosities, a wedding of an unusual character occurred last evening. R. R. Moffit, a tattooed man, and Miss Leo Horan, the "Spanish Bearded Lady," were united in the bonds of matrimony. A large number of noted "Freaks" as they are called in the profession, witnessed the ceremony. The bride has a black beard three inches long, and the groom is as handsome a piece of Mossai work as there is in America. Miss Leo is 26 years old and her husband was passed forty. His first wife was the "Russian Giantess," who died of dyspepsia in 1850. Before the season ended Moffit married a "Circassian beauty" of Mosian extraction. She died last summer, and before the Barnum show concluded its season the tattooed widow was madly in love with the "Spanish Bearded Lady." Although bearded she possessed all the coquetry of her sex, and Mr. Moffit was compelled to use all his eloquence to persuade her to accept him. John Gary, the sword-swallower, is the step-father of Miss Leo, and he gave her away. Miss Leo wanted to have her hand shaven off in honour of the occasion, but Mr. Moffit, who is of a practical turn of mind, opposed it on the ground that she might not be able to raise another crop in which, even, her value as a "curiosity" would be totally destroyed. Mr. and Mrs. Moffit went to New York on a wedding tour.—New York Herald.

A BRIGHT BEGINNING.

A medical man writes to the *Medical Register*:—"I have much pleasure in sending you an account of my first year of vegetarian diet. I did not like the idea of giving up my meat not because I thought it necessary, but because I liked it. After my first stroke I went to well, and sin now goes along with the experiment. I am better every day both mentally and bodily. It has done away with my desire for alcohol and tobacco, which are now positively abominous to me. My sense are acuter, my mental power is greatly increased. I work better for longer periods, and grasp ideas much more quickly than formerly. I have done more hard, mental work this past year than for many years—in fact than since my final medical examination which was passed on vegetarian diet. My bodily powers are much better, and I can take long walks without much fatigue; my spirits are lighter, and I feel an almost continual flow of good humour. Bilious attacks, headaches, constipation, etc., left me soon after the adoption of this diet. I was threatened with rheumatism, but since my experiment has been successful themselves. I am pleased with my diet that I hope to continue it all my life. My own results have been as good as I wish every one else to give it a fair trial, and note the results. My friends say I am looking well upon it, and I have gained about seven pounds in weight. My food consists chiefly of whole-meal bread and fruit. I am always ready for my meals, and eat with relish, and I know I am not laying up for myself future disease."

THE OLDEST MILITARY NEWSPAPER.

The celebration on the 9th February of the Jubilee of the *United Service Gazette*, which claimed on that occasion to be the oldest military newspaper in the world, and the very first specially devoted to military matters, has provoked a strong protest from the Russian Press. The first number of the *United Service Gazette* appeared on the 9th of February, 1833, while the first of the *Esposa Insolita* was published in March 1813, or 20 years earlier. This idea of a purely military newspaper is ascribed to M. Pesarovitch, foreigner in the Russian service, who received permission and funds to start it from the Government in 1813, and edited it until 1821, when it passed under the control of Vaykoff, the satirical post. After this it was edited by a series of Generals of greater and lesser note, and, besides serving as the official military gazette and the medium for the discussion of army matters, exercised considerable political influence. The height of its reputation was reached shortly before the Polish revolt of 1830, when its utterances were regarded abroad as being inspired by the Foreign Office, as well as by the Minister of War, while at home it championed the views of the War Minister, Count Miller, against his opponents in the Polish question. In 1833 the Czar arrived at the decision that it was unsafe to allow Ministers to wield so much press influence, and an order was issued prohibiting "Esposa Insolita" from using beyond purely military matters in its columns. The consequence was that the paper at once lost its circulation, and it was forced into a long to the State of something like £1,000 a year. Beyond the Government Gazette and a few telegrams and newspaper cuttings, its daily issue of four small pages, rarely containing anything except a scanty chronicle of military operations abroad or a poorly written article on army matters. But with all its defects it has pride enough to maintain that it is the "oldest military newspaper in the world."

Globe.

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HONGKONG, 15th April, 1883.

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and COAL TAK in lots to suit from
one ton upwards.

CHOW CHOW,
230, Fovey West.

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HONGKONG, 1st July, 1883.

FOR SALE.

CHAMBERS & CO.,
Agents for Phoenix Fire Office.

HONGKONG, 23rd August, 1883.

NOTICE.

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JAS. E. COUGHTRE, Secretary.

HONGKONG, 27th March, 1883.

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ESTABLISHED 1805.

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.

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CART D'OR, in Cases of 1 doz. Quarts.

Do. Do. Pints.

We state with pleasure that the brand of George Goulet & Co. has come up remarkably well during the past year, the quantity imported (7,127 Cases) being the 6th largest out of 30. Brands on the list; we wish to have a continuation of this and deserved prosperity.—(Extract from *Forster's Wine and Spirit Circular*, 1882.)

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

HONGKONG, 23rd August, 1883.

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LEONARDI QUELLE.

NATURAL GERMAN SELTZER WATER.

Bottled at the Soltau-Spring near Gross Karben, in Cases of 8 Dozen Pints, 85-50 per Case.

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HONGKONG, 2nd February, 1883.

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The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS on First-Class GODOWNS at 1% per Cent. Net premium per annum.

NORTON & CO., Agents.

HONGKONG, 25th May, 1883.

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